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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 23, 2003 please find the below comments and amendments.

Introductory Comments

In order to comply with the requirement of 37. C.F.R. 1.114 Applicants provide the following Amendments and Response. Additionally, Applicants provide the claims in the revised format suggested by the USPTO regarding 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Additionally, Applicants note that the Office Action incorrectly indicates the Application was filed on February 1, 2001.

Applicants provide a copy of the date stamped post card indicating the application was filed on December 21, 2000 under 35 U.S.C. 371 as a national phase of a PCT Application. Since the filing date is after the November 29, 2000 effective date of the AIPA and H.R. 2215 (Pub.L. 107-372 (2002)), the international filing date of the PCT Application (PCT/DK/99/0382 filed July 2, 1999) is the date of this patent application under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) (the “102(e)” date). Thus, the filing date for the application should be indicated to be not later than December 21, 2000 (and the ‘102 date should be July 2, 1999).

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